

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 12 are currently pending in the present application. Claims 1, 2, 3, and 5 are original. Claims 4 and 6 have been amended and new claims 7 - 12 have been added. No new material has been added. The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to remove multiple dependent claims to reduce filing costs. In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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